

**A. PROJECT INFORMATION**

Title: Merced River Greenemeyer Sand Pit River Corridor Restoration

Compliance Tracking Number: 2006-010

PEPC Project Number: 13932

Location: Mariposa County, California; El Portal

NPS Project Proponent: Resources Management Science, Lisa Acree

Partner Project Proponent: None,

**B. COMPLIANCE DETERMINATION**

This project is an action that has been determined to result in no measurable environmental effects. It is therefore categorically excluded from further National Environmental Policy Act analysis under Categorical Exclusion: DO12 3.4 E (4) - *Removal of non-historic materials and structures in order to restore natural conditions when the removal has no potential for environmental impacts, including impacts to cultural landscapes or archeological resources.*

Necessary compliance coordination has been completed regarding the National Historic Preservation Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Endangered Species Act, as applicable. Environmental impacts will be minor or less when the project is implemented with the conditions stipulated under **Project Mitigations and Conditions** in **Section I** at the end of the attached *Environmental Screening Form*.

Additional supporting information for this determination and the stipulated conditions can be found in the following attachments (when checked):

- ☒ *Cultural Resource Effects Assessment Form (XXX)*
- ☐ *Wilderness Minimum Requirement Analysis*
- ☒ *Wild and Scenic River Section 7 Determination*
- ☐ *Park Management Terms and Conditions*
- ☐ Other:

**C. DECISION**

*On the basis of the environmental impact information in the statutory compliance file, with which I am familiar, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No exceptional circumstances or conditions in DO12 3.5 or 3.6 apply and the action is fully described in DO12, Section 3.4.*

//R. Kevin Cann//  
for Michael J. Tollefson

1/26/06  
Date

Original: Statutory Compliance File  
cc: Project Proponent

Attachments (3)

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# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Yosemite National Park  
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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
L7617 (YOSE)

## Memorandum

To: Lisa Acree, Project Manager

From: Superintendent, Yosemite National Park

Subject: Notice to Proceed, Merced River Greenemeyer Sand Pit River Corridor Restoration

Your proposed project is an action that has been determined to result in no measurable environmental effects. It is therefore categorically excluded from further National Environmental Policy Act analysis under Categorical Exclusion: DO12 3.4 *E (4) - Removal of non-historic materials and structures in order to restore natural conditions when the removal has no potential for environmental impacts, including impacts to cultural landscapes or archeological resources.*

Necessary compliance coordination has been completed regarding the National Historic Preservation Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Endangered Species Act, as applicable. This project clearance is valid providing that you adhere to the conditions stipulated in the enclosed *Categorical Exclusion Form* and associated documents when implementing this project.

//R. Kevin Cann//  
for Michael J. Tollefson

1/26/06  
Date

Enclosure (with attachments)

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**A. PROJECT INFORMATION**

**Park Name:** Yosemite NP

**Project Title:** Merced River Greenemeyer Sand Pit River Corridor Restoration

**Project Number:** 13932

**Project Type:** Ecological Restoration

**Project Location:** County, State: Mariposa, California      District, Section: El Portal, Greenemeyer Sand Pit

**Project Manager:** Lisa Acree

**B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND**

YOSE proposes to restore eight acres of highly-valued low-elevation floodplain habitat along the Merced River. Over the past three decades, YOSE used the floodplain site for sand extraction and maintenance staging. Today, fill and spoil materials fill all but one braided river channel, significantly obstructing flow. YOSE will remove artificial fill and revegetate with native vegetation. The result will be a riparian floodplain community with a functional network of braided river channels. Riparian habitat at the project site is particularly valued because California has lost 89% of its riparian woodlands, and areas below 3,300 feet have the greatest loss of riparian vegetation in the Sierra Nevada.

Artificial fill and spoils will be hauled outside the park. The exact quantity of fill is unknown. A technical request is in place with the NPS Water Resources Division to help determine the volume of artificial fill that would be removed.

**Table B1 – Background Information**

	Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Notes
1. Did NPS staff conduct a site visit? If yes, list attendees. If no, explain.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Staff are familiar with the site.
2a. Is the project providing compliance for an action associated with but not covered by an approved plan? (Identify the plan and provide a section or page citation.); OR	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the project in an approved plan? (Identify the plan and provide a section or page citation.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2c. Is the project consistent with that plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2d. Is the Plan's CE, FONSI, or ROD current?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3a. Are there any interested or affected parties?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3b. Has a diligent effort been made to communicate with them?	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4a. Are there any affected agencies or tribes?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	US BLM & ACOE; CA RWQCB
4b. Has consultation been completed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Consultations are ongoing

**Table B2 – Environmental Screening Form Attachments (provide Attachment letter—A, B, etc.)**

	Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Notes
1. Maps: 2 required (vicinity map & site map)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			Vicinity Map, Attachment A,
2. Drawings (e.g., design, construction)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Site Plans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Photographs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Non-NEPA/NHPA Approvals (Explain)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Other (Explain)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**C. ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL RESOURCE EFFECTS**

Are any impacts possible on the following resources?	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1. Geologic resources: soils, bedrock, streambeds, etc	X			Artificial fill would be removed; natural streambed characteristics would be restored.
2. From geohazards		X		
3. Air quality	X			Negligible; temporary during construction.
4. Soundscapes	X			Negligible; temporary during construction.
5. Water quality or quantity	X			Negligible; Work to be done under CA RWQCB permit.
6. Stream flow characteristics	X			Natural flow characteristics would be restored.
7. Marine or estuarine resources			X	
8. Floodplains or wetlands	X			Natural floodplain and riparian characteristics will be restored
9. Land use, including occupancy, income, values, ownership, type of use		X		
10. Rare or unusual vegetation – old growth timber, riparian, alpine		X		
11. Species of special concern (plant or animal; state or federal listed or proposed for listing) or their habitat		X		
12. Unique ecosystems, biosphere reserves, World Heritage Sites	X			Yosemite is a World Heritage Site. This project will have “no adverse effect;” see attached XXX.
13. Unique or important wildlife or wildlife habitat		X		
14. Unique or important fish or fish habitat	X			Natural stream channel characteristics will be restored
15. Introduce or promote non-native species (plant or animal)	X			Mitigated: potential for construction equipment to be brought into park; see Mitigations & Conditions, below.
16. Recreation resources, including supply, demand, visitation, activities, etc.		X		
17. Visitor experience, aesthetic resources	X			Natural stream characteristics will be restored
18. Cultural resources including cultural landscapes, ethnographic resources		X		
19. Socioeconomics, including employment, occupation, income changes, tax base, infrastructure		X		
20. Minority and low income populations, ethnography, size, migration patterns, etc.		X		
21. Energy resources		X		
22. Other agency or tribal land use plans or policies		X		
23. Resource, including energy, conservation potential		X		
24. Urban quality, gateway communities, etc.		X		
25. Long-term management of resources or land/resource productivity		X		
26. Other important environment resources (e.g. geothermal, paleontological resources)?		X		
<b>Comments, Mitigations and Conditions:</b>				
1. See Section D, Condition 2, below.				

**D. MANDATORY CRITERIA**

<b>If implemented, would the proposed action:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Data Needed to Determine/Notes</b>
1. Have material adverse effects on public health or safety?		X		Mitigated: see condition 1, below.
2. Have adverse effects on such unique characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands; floodplains; or ecologically significant or critical areas, including those listed on the National Register of Natural Landmarks?		X		Project will restore natural stream channel, floodplain, and riparian characteristics; see also Section F, National Historic Preservation Act Checklist, and attached XXX.
3. Have highly controversial environmental effects?		X		
4. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?		X		
5. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?		X		
6. Be directly related to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?		X		
7. Have adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places?		X		
8. Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species?		X		
9. Require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), or the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act?		X		
10. Threaten to violate a federal, state, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?		X		
11. Involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA sec. 102(2)(E))?		X		
12. Have a disproportionate, significant adverse effect on low-income or minority populations (EO 12898)?		X		
13. Restrict access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites by Indian religious practitioners or adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 130007)?		X		
14. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of federally listed noxious weeds (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act)?		X		Mitigated; see condition below.
15. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of non-native invasive species or actions that may promote the introduction, growth or expansion of the range of non-native invasive species (EO 13112)?		X		Mitigated; see condition 2, below.
16. Require a permit from a federal, state, or local agency to proceed, unless the agency from which the permit is required agrees that a CE is appropriate?		X		CE issued pending CA RWQCB & US ACOE concurrence.
17. Have the potential for significant impact as indicated by a federal, state, or local agency or Indian tribe?		X		
18. Have the potential to be controversial because of disagreement over possible environmental effects?		X		
19. Have the potential to violate the NPS Organic Act by impairing park resources or values?		X		

**Comments, Mitigations and Conditions:**

1. Submit an accident prevention plan to the park Safety Office for review and approval before starting work.
2. Thoroughly clean any equipment or materials brought to the worksite from outside of the park or El Portal Administrative Site to prevent the introduction of non-native invasive plants or federally listed noxious weeds.

### E. SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES CHECKLIST

Within the area of potential effect, are there:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1. Listed or proposed threatened or endangered species (Federal or State)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Species of special concern (Federal or State)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Park rare plants or vegetation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Potential habitat for any special-status species listed above?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If "yes" to any of the above questions, a Special-Status Species Checklist must be completed and attached.				
<b>Comments, Mitigations and Conditions:</b>				
1. None				

### F. NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT CHECKLIST

Within the area of potential effect:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1. Will there be ground disturbance?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Artificial fill will be removed
2. Are there any archeological sites?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Are there any Native American Indian traditional cultural resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	See attached XXX.
4. Is the project within the boundary of an archeological or historic landscape or district?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Would not affect known cultural resources; see attached XXX.
5a. Is there a National Historic Landmark?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5b. Is there a structure(s) on the park's <i>List of Classified Structures</i> ?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5c. Is there a historic property with a DOE and concurrence by the SHPO or a completed National Register form?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5d. Is there a cultural property requiring review under NHPA, Section 106?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Would there be alteration of a structure or cultural landscape covered by 5a-d, above?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If "yes" to any of the above, then an Assessment of Effects form (YOSE-XXX) must be completed and attached.				
<b>Mitigations and Conditions:</b>				
1. None				

### G. WILDERNESS ACT CHECKLIST

Is the proposed project:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1. Within designated Wilderness?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Within a Potential Wilderness Addition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
If "yes" to either of the above, then a Wilderness Minimum Requirements Analysis must be completed and attached.				
<b>Mitigations and Conditions:</b>				
1. None				

**H. WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS ACT CHECKLIST**

Does the proposed project:	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1. Fall within a wild and scenic river corridor? If "yes", name the river(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Merced Wild and Scenic River, El Portal Segment
2. Fall within the bed and banks AND affect the free-flow of the river?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Removal of artificial fill will restore natural flow.
3. Potentially affect water quality of the area?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mitigated; CA RWQCB consultation & permits
4. Remain consistent with its river segment classification?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Restoration of natural conditions is consistent with this segment's classification as "Recreational."
5. Protect and enhance river ORVs?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Restoration of natural conditions will protect and enhance river ORVs.
6a. Fall within the River Protection Overlay?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6b. If "yes", is it consistent with conditions of the River Protection Overlay?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Restoration of natural conditions is consistent with RPO conditions.
7. Remain consistent with the areas Management Zoning?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Restoration of natural conditions is consistent with this areas management zoning as "2C-Day Use."
8a. Fall on a tributary of a Wild and Scenic River?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8b. If 9a is "yes", will the project affect the Wild and Scenic River corridor?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8c. If 9a is "yes", will the project unreasonably diminish scenic, recreational, or fish and wildlife values?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
If "yes" to questions 2, 9b, or 9c, then a WSRA Section 7 determination must be completed and attached.				

**Mitigations and Conditions:**

1. Issuance of this CE is conditional on concurrence by the CA RWQCB and the US ACOE that the projects will not have measurable environmental impacts and the issuance of any necessary permits by these agencies.

## I. NEPA Analysis and Approval Conditions

When implemented as detailed in the project description and following all Project Mitigations and Conditions listed below, this project meets the terms and conditions of a categorical exclusion to NEPA.

### Applicable Categorical Exclusion:

DO12 E (4) - Removal of non-historic materials and structures in order to restore natural conditions when the removal has no potential for environmental impacts, including impacts to cultural landscapes or archeological resources.

### Project Mitigations and Conditions:

#### 1. None

*This project has been reviewed in accordance with the above criteria and it has been determined that the project will result in no or minimal environmental effects. Therefore, it is categorically excluded from further environmental review required under the National Environmental Policy Act. Additionally, the necessary compliance coordination has been completed with regard to the National Historic Preservation Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, and the Endangered Species Act.*

<i>//GWColliver//</i>	<i>1/23/06</i>
<b>Compliance Specialist</b>	<b>Date</b>

<i>//Mark A Butler//</i>	<i>1/23/06</i>
<b>Compliance Program Manager</b>	<b>Date</b>

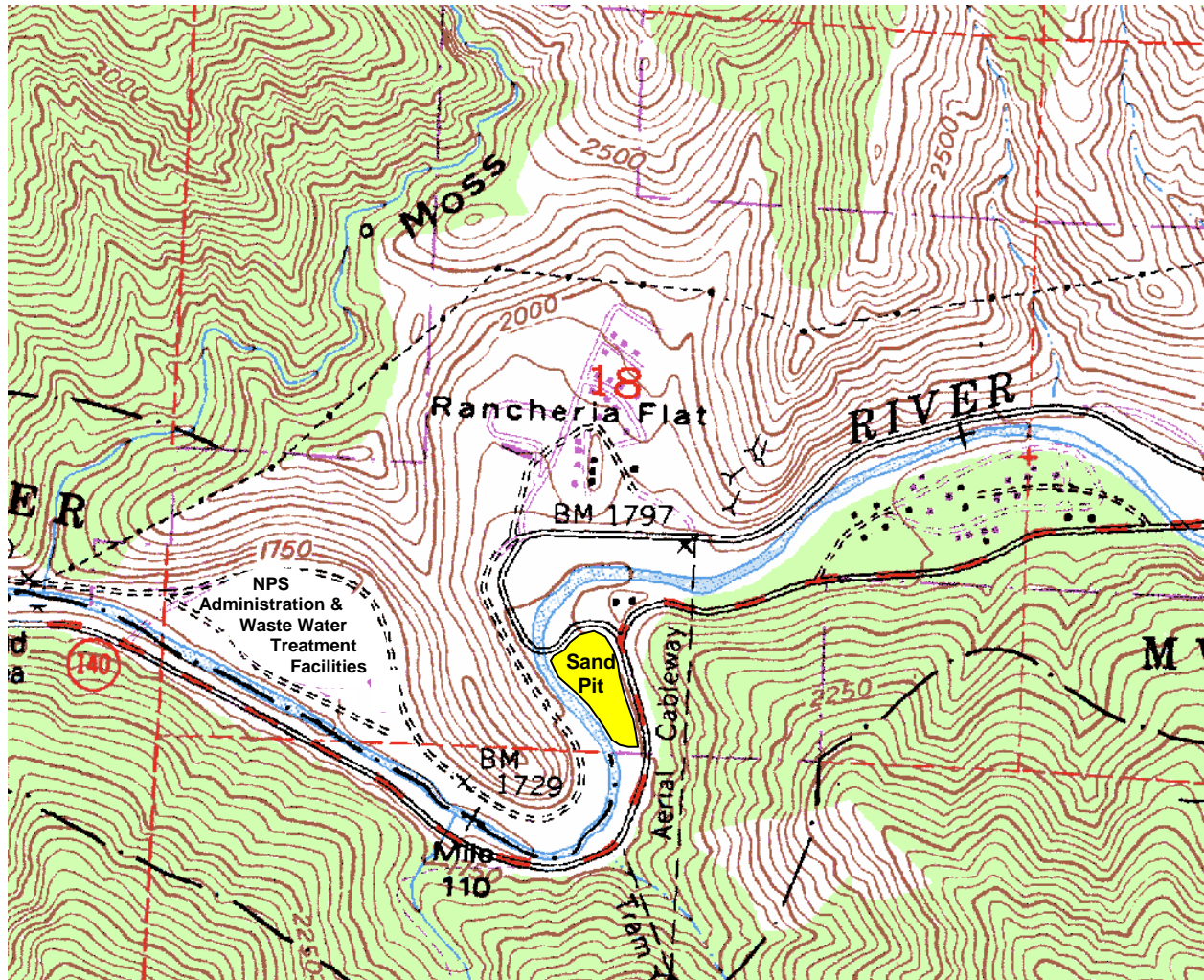
<i>//Bill Delaney//</i>	<i>1/25/06</i>
<b>Chief, Project Management</b>	<b>Date</b>

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## Attachment A

### Greenemeyer Sand Pit Vicinity Map



**A. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING**

- 1. Project Title & ID:** Merced River Greenemeyer Sand Pit River Corridor Restoration 2006-010 (13932)
- 2. Project Manager:** Lisa Acree
- 3. Project Description:** YOSE proposes to restore eight acres of highly-valued low-elevation floodplain habitat along the Merced River. Over the past three decades, YOSE used the floodplain site for sand extraction and maintenance staging. Today, fill and spoil materials fill all but one braided river channel, significantly obstructing flow. YOSE will remove artificial fill and revegetate with native vegetation. The result will be a riparian floodplain community with a functional network of braided river channels. Riparian habitat at the project site is particularly valued because California has lost 89% of its riparian woodlands, and areas below 3,300 feet have the greatest loss of riparian vegetation in the Sierra Nevada.
- 4. Project Location and Area of Potential Effect:** El Portal; El Portal Archeological District.

5. Attached Sensitive* Information	Yes	No	Explanation/Source/Notes
a. Maps	X		GIS arch data
b. Drawings			
c. Site Plans			
d. Photographs			
e. Sample			
f. List of Materials			
g. Other (Explain)			

\* Sensitive documents not for duplication or distribution beyond park management, subject matter experts, and the project statutory compliance file.

## B. DESCRIPTION OF EFFECTS

	Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Notes
<b>1. Has the Area of Potential Effect been surveyed to identify cultural resources?</b> If Yes, provide reference for the Survey (s).	X			YOSE1975AC; El Portal Archaeological District, Old El Portal Historic Cultural Landscape
a. Would the proposed action affect a known cultural resource?		X		

<b>2. List all Cultural Resources in the Area of Potential Effect:</b>	Affected?		Explanation/Note
	Yes	No	
a. El Portal Archaeological District		X	No recorded sites in the project area, which is comprised of fill.

<b>3. List resources in the Area of Potential Effect to which American Indians attach cultural and religious significance:</b>	Affected?		Explanation/Note
	Yes	No	
a. El Portal Traditional Cultural Landscape	X		Need to determine if traditional plant resources are in the project area, and avoid them.

<b>4. The proposed action will:</b>	Yes	No	N/A	Explanation/Note
• Destroy, remove, or alter features or elements from a historic structure		X		
• Replace historic features/elements in kind		X		
• Add nonhistoric features/elements to a historic structure		X		
• Alter or remove features/elements of a historic setting or environment (including terrain)		X		
• Add nonhistoric features/elements (including visual, audible, or atmospheric) to a historic setting or cultural landscape		X		
• Disturb, destroy, or make archeological resources inaccessible, or alter associated terrain	X			
• Disturb, destroy, or make ethnographic resources inaccessible, or alter associated terrain	X			Potentially
• Begin or contribute to the deterioration of historic fabric, terrain, setting, landscape elements, or archeological or ethnographic resources	X			Potentially
• Involve a real property transaction affecting historic cultural properties (i.e., the exchange, sale, or lease of land or structures)		X		
• Potentially affect presently unidentified cultural resources	X			
• Other				

**5. Describe any measures that are incorporated as part of this project that will be taken to prevent or minimize loss or impairment of prehistoric or historic fabric, setting, integrity, or data:**

The project managers will meet with cultural resource specialists prior to project initiation to identify resources that must be avoided and left in place.

**Checklist Preparer:** Jeannette Simons

**Date:** 1/23/06

**Title:** Historic Preservation Officer

### C. SPECIALIST SECTION

**Specialists:** Your comments here (or attached) show that you have reviewed this proposal for conformity with requirements of *National Historic Preservation Act, Section 106*; with the 1995 *Service-wide Programmatic Agreement* (if applicable); with applicable parts of the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation*; with the NPS *Management Policies* and *Cultural Resource Management Guideline*; and have given your best professional advice about this project and the issues relevant to the Section 106 process, including identification and evaluation of historic properties and further consultation needs.

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**Archeologist**

Name: **Laura Kirn**

Date: 12/0805

Comments:

Ground Disturbance Involved      Yes: **X**      No:

Assessment of Effect: **No effect.**

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations: **Avoid adjacent archeological site.**

Signature of Archeologist: //signed original on file//

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**Cultural Anthropologist**

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Assessment of Effect:

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations:

Signature of Cultural Anthropologist: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Curator**

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Assessment of Effect:

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations:

Signature of Curator: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Historian**

Name: **Charles Palmer**

Date: 12/08/2005

Comments:

Assessment of Effect: **No adverse effect.**

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations: See conditions by archeologist

Signature of Historian: //signed original on file//

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**Historic Architect**

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Assessment of Effect:

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations:

Signature of Historic Architect: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Historic Landscape Architect**

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Assessment of Effect:

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations:

Signature of Historic Landscape Architect: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Preservation Specialist**

Name: **Doug Martin**

Date: 12/08/2005

Comments:

Assessment of Effect:

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations: **Retain any remaining historic features.**

Signature of Preservation Specialist: //signed original on file//

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**Native American Liaison**

Name: **Jeannette Simons**

Date: 12/19/2005

Comments:

Assessment of Effect: No adverse effect.

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations: **We will consult with AICMC in January, 2006.  
Follow-up to learn results.**

Signature of Native American Liaison: //signed original on file//

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Name:

Date:

Comments:

Assessment of Effect:

Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations:

Signature of \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_

**D. RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND SCIENCE DIVISION AND PARK 106  
COORDINATOR REVIEWS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. Review by specialists:** The appropriate subject-matter experts have reviewed the project and entered their comments and recommendations in Section C, above.

*The foregoing assessment is adequate: the proposed action is consistent with all applicable NPS management policies, standards, guidelines, or US DOI standards and guidelines, Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings, or others, and incorporates measures to avoid Adverse Effects.*

**Reviewed and Accepted by:**

**Signature:** //Niki Nicholas//  
Chief of Resources Management & Science Division

**Date:** 12/14/06

- 2. Assessment of Effects: No adverse effect.**

- 3. Compliance Requirements:** The following is the park's assessment of Section 106 process needs and requirements for this undertaking.

☐ **Standard 36 CFR Part 800 Consultation**

Consultation under 36 CFR is needed subsequent to the preparation of this form and its review by appropriate cultural resource management advisors.

☒ **Undertaking related to the 1995 NPS Programmatic Agreement**

The above action meets all conditions for a programmatic exclusion under Stipulation IV of the 1995 NPS programmatic agreement.

☐ **Plan-Related Undertaking**

Consultation and review of the proposed undertaking were completed in the context of a plan review process, in accordance with the 1995 NPS programmatic agreement and 36 CFR Part 800.

☐ **Undertaking Related to Another Agreement**

The proposed undertaking is covered for Section 106 purposes under a document such as a statewide agreement written in accordance with 37 CFR Part 800.7 or counterpart regulations.

**Agreement:**

☐ **Flood-Recovery Related Undertaking**

The proposed undertaking is covered for Section 106 purposes under the letter-based agreement between the NPS, the State Historic Preservation Office, and the Council for Historic Preservation for "Highwater 97" flood repair and recovery

☒ **Undertaking Related to the 1999 Yosemite Programmatic Agreement**

The proposed undertaking is covered for Section 106 purposes under the park's 1999 programmatic agreement for planning, design, construction, operations and maintenance; the undertaking meets the stipulations identified in Article VII.C.2.



#### 4. Project Stipulations and Conditions

Following are listed any stipulations or conditions necessary to ensure that the assessment of effects above is consistent with 36 CFR 800 criteria of effect or to mitigate potential adverse effects:

1. Consultation with AICMC in January, 2006.
2. Avoid adjacent archeological site.
3. Protect and preserve historic features/materials in situ.

#### Recommended by Park Section 106 Coordinator:

Name: Jeannette Simons

Title: Historic Preservation Officer

Signature: //signed original on file// Date: 1/11/06

#### E. SUPERINTENDENT'S APPROVAL

*The proposed work conforms to NPS Management Policies and NPS-28 and I approve the recommendations, stipulations, and conditions noted in Section B of this form.*

Signature of Superintendent: //R.. Kevin Cann, acting//

Date: 12/26/06

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